

Dear FCC,

Please consider stopping or reprimanding Sinclair Broadcasting for their decision to air the unfair anti-Kerry documentary. Something like this airing on public airwaves is preposterous. It is obviously in reacting to Michael Moore's film Fahrenheit 9/11, which was only showing at Privately owned theaters. Also of note is the latter movie is more critical of the US government as a whole rather than demeaning towards just 1 person. How would you or anyone you know feel if someone aired a documentary saying how bad you were and how you've hurt others. How would you feel especially if this documentary is not true. It is not fair to John Kerry or the American People to have such a documentary aired on public stations.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.